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SUBJECT: USACE Interior Design Program

Background. Since 1988 USACE commanders have supported and encouraged customers to provide for the comprehensive interior design in Army and Air Force facilities. The following paragraphs describe initiatives which support the Army program.

ER 1110-345-122, Interior Design, 22 March 1999. This Engineer Regulation is the basis of USACE interior design service. It defines the relationships between the user, design agent, and MACOM during planning, design and implementation. To encourage comprehensive interior design for Army facilities, the ER provides for USACE funding of comprehensive interior design when MACOM provide funding for furniture and furnishings on the DD Form 1391 and request the service. The offer is limited to administrative and operational facilities and facilities in the DA Facilities Standardization Program for which standard interior design packages have been developed. Excellence depends on a partnership between the designer and the customer. Successful implementation of a comprehensive interior design depends on the programming Operations and Maintenance (O&M) funds to procure of the interior furnishings concurrent with the building construction.

Staffing. USACE currently has 25 interior designers located in 12 district offices to provide comprehensive interior design service to our clients. A complete listing of Interior Design Points of Contact is located on the Architectural and Planning Team home page at http://www.hq.usace.army.mil/cemp/e/ea/cemp_ea.htm.

Training. PROSPECT training course #335, Interior Design: Goals, Processes, and Issues, assists persons in the divisions, districts, MACOM, and DEH/Public Works Centers to develop skills needed to facilitate high quality interior design in the Federal government. Please see the home page for course description and reservation information.

DG 1110-3-122, Design Guide for Interiors, September 1997. This design guide has been revised to offer comprehensive interior design guidance on applied theory and process. The executive summary, "A Guide to Excellent Interiors," is directed toward commanders, while the body of the document is directed toward designers and installation management personnel. The manual is available from the USACE Publications Depot, 2803 52nd Avenue, Hyattsville, MD 20781, 301-394-0081/82/83/84.

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Specifications. Many Corps of Engineer Guide Specifications (CEGS) are related to interior design. CEGS are available on **TECHINFO** at <http://w2.hnd.usace.army.mil/techinfo/>. The following CEGS are the most used in support of comprehensive interior design:

- 09310, Ceramic Tile (7/98)
- 09510, Acoustic Ceilings (8/96)
- 09680, Carpet (9/96) (*under revision*)
- 09720, Wallcoverings (1/98)
- 09915, Color Schedule (6/93)
- 10100, Visual Communication Specialties (3/96)
- 10440, Interior Signage (6/98)
- 12520, Window Treatments (1/98)
- 12705, Prewired Workstations (11/97) (*under revision as Furniture Systems*)

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Sign Standards Manual, EP 310-1-6. This Engineer Pamphlet was thoroughly revised in 1994, and now includes a section on interior signage, Office Interior Signs. The manual is available from the USACE Publications Depot, 2803 52nd Avenue, Hyattsville, MD 20781, 301-394-0081/82/83/84.

Standard Designs. The standard interior design for Army Chapel Facilities, available from CEHNC, details specific furniture requirement for chapel and religious education facilities. "Interior Design Manual for Single Soldier Housing," distributed by DAIM-FDH, provides specific furniture ordering information to support Unaccompanied Enlisted Personnel Housing. The Modular Design System (MDS) and Furniture Design Guide (FDG) are contain automated descriptive, size, cost, and ordering data to support furniture requirements for Army Reserve Centers. Contact USAED, Louisville for additional information. Interior design performance criteria will also be incorporated into Department of the Army standard facility designs as they are revised.

Assistance. Requests for technical assistance and service should be addressed to the Interior Design Technical Center of Expertise: Commander, U.S. Army Engineer District, Omaha, ATTN: Ms. Lori O. Hoelting, CENWO-ED-DG, 215 North 17th Street, Omaha, NE 68102-4978, telephone 402-221-4565. Interior design policy questions should be addressed to Commander, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, ATTN: Mr. Frank Norcross, CEMP-ED, 20 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20314-1000, telephone 202-761-0881, EMail: frank.a.norcross@hq02.usace.army.mil.

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